PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR FERGUSON, VETCING AND DISAPPROVING SENATE BILL NO. 263.

TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF STATE:

This is to advise that I have this the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1917, officially disapproved and vetoed Senate Bill Number 263, passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature, which bill provides for the incorporation of towns and villages where they contain more than two hundred and less than five thousand inhabitabts, my objections being: That, in my opinion, the law ought to remain as it is, which prohibits incorporation unless the town or

village has as much as five hundred inhabitants. I do not think the people of the towns and villages of the state, not having more than two hundred inhabitants, should be assessed with the expenses of a town government. The burdens of government are already heavy, and where there are not more than two hundred inhabitants, I am sure the people can get along without having to pay the officers of a town or city government. I, therefore, cannot approve the bill.

as. 6. Fryuson. Governor of Texas.